

BEAMES

OF

Eternal Brightness,

OR,

BRANCHES

OF

Everlasting Blessings;

Springing forth of the Stock of Salvation, to be
spread over *INDIA*, and all Nations of the
Earth, To the Uniting all Mankind, as one *single* and
simple Body of Everlasting Love and Peace, in the
Original Glory and Creator of all things.

Written by a Member of Truth,

JOHN,

Who is called a *QUAKE*.

L O N D O N.

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Beams of Eternal Brightness, or, Branches
of Blessings, springing forth.



O All ye Kings, Princes, Rulers, and People of
INDIA, and the rest upon the face of the whole
Earth, I can in no better way and manner salute
you, than in this of the Blessing and Counsel of
Eternal Life, in which you may come truly and joyfully to know
the true Power which hath created all things, and ruled and go-
verneth all things according to his own Will and Pleasure, who
by Name, so as to be distinguished (in every man's understand-
ing) from every other thing, is called The Searcher through
all Darkness, or, The glorious Sun of the Soul, or, The
Wonderful Power, or, The Incomprehensible Wisdom, or,
The Immutable Holiness, or, The from Eternity to all Eter-
nity; because these glorious Qualities are only proper to his
infinite wonderful Essence, as unspeakably more are, which I
neither do nor can here mention.

This is the Power, Wisdom, and Glory which I speak of,
who in himself is infinitely more than all things, by whose Word
all things were created in the beginning, and is a Being invisible
to every fleshly thing, of whom divers Nations do hold divers Op-
inions, and so do make him in their Imaginations like unto divers
things; and accordingly do worship in divers manners and ways;
but he being but one who created all things, and not likened un-
to any thing that man makes, is only known aright, and wor-
shipped aright in one living, pure, and holy way. For which
cause I hereby pray all the Nations, together with all Christians
upon the face of the Earth, in the feeling of that Power, Wisdom
and Life of Glory, which is able to reduce them all unto the true
knowledge of himself, to use and that they may all become but
of one heart, mind and feet for ever, worshipping according to
the true knowledge and pure understanding of him through an uni-
versal feeling, seeing, and perceiving him arising and appearing
in his Power, Wisdom and Glory in all their inward parts: So

that when all men in all Nations, Countries and Lands shall attain to the *true knowledge* of the *Life, Power, Wisdom, and Glory* of their Maker and Creator in *themselves*; then they shall have no need of any other instruction (touching the knowledge of their Maker) without them; and so knowing their Creator appearing in themselves, will also know from him, (who so appeareth) the true and living way, of his true, living and pure Worship, which he teacheth all in the Unity and Truth of his own Wisdom and Knowledge, the which must certainly put an end unto all that which is *averse* & from the way of his *own Life, and pure Nature*.

But because the Nature of man is contrary to the Nature of the Glorious Sun of the Soul, I hold it necessary to shew *what the Nature of the one, and the other is*, that as they are in contrariety, the *west* may be *forsoaken*, and the *best* cleaved and adhered unto, and for ever *loved and lived in*, in the Power, Wisdom and Glory thereof.

1. *The Nature of the Glorious Sun of the Soul, which was before the outward Sun was*, is pure, holy, clean, unspotted and full of all Light and Vertue, even of all which stand in an Eternal Life; as also in it is the vertue, of reducing all things backe nothing again, as by it all things of nothing were (in the beginning) made and created.

2. *But the Nature of man is evil, corrupt, unclean, brutish, and full of darkness and ignorance of the true knowledge of the Power of Eternal Life.*

Quest. Now if it be demanded, *How and where the one and the other is to be rightly understood and known?* To it I am free to answer thus; shewing introductionally,

Introd. That the Soul of man is the sensible living part, that hath its being in the body of flesh, or humane tabernacle, whilst the perceivance of breath is left therein, whereby man hath the sense and feeling of joys and pains, pleasures and sorrows, &c. To which inward part in all mankind I speak of the Sun of the Soul, testifying; That the Light thereof in every soul, is of such a purity and cleanness, shining in the inward parts of the Intellect or secret understanding of man, that it hath no unity nor fellowship with his uncleanness and brutishness; shewing him, when no flesh doth speak unto him, that he having a rational soul put into him, should not

not be like unto the beasts of the field (which have not received that faculty) in his loathsome *acts of defilement*, and that he should not in other cases be worse than the beasts of the field (which onely *eat* and *drink* to their satisfaction, and having so done, when rest is needful, do lie down in quietness, without inventions of mischief; and which in their mute state, have not a mind of the vent of *Exclamations, Curses, Oathes, Blasphemies, Lying, Cheating, Stealing, Murdering*, or the like things and acts of wickedness) I say, the Light sheweth, *that he should not be worse than the beasts of the field*, in such words and works, or exercises of *Drunkenness and Gluttony*. Which Light in all Mankind never consented to any *act of filthiness, beastliness, or wickedness*, but in all doth stand near the Soul, telling the Soul the evil of such things; so these two being joyned together, (to wit) the Light of the glorious Sun of the Soul, and the Soul it self to the Light in true knowledge of any thing, I call *Conscience*, because *Conscience* properly and rightly importeth a *joynt knowledge, testimony, and witness*; by two knowing properties in Mankind of the *Good or Evil of all words and works* whatsoever are *spoken, done, or wrought by* them. Seeing then every man hath this Principle of knowledge in himself, given by the eternal Sun of the Soul, as a measure of Light into their immortal Souls, hereby they come to know the nature thereof, according to the measure thereof; and in it discerning the vast multitudes of Mankind (which are not united to the Light) to be in the *beastliness and evils* which the Light of the Sun of the Soul doth reprove, judge, and condemn; hereby they may know in themselves, that the nature of man is contrary to it, being *very sinful and abominable in wickedness and beastliness*. So touching the contrariety, as to the place where it is found, briefly this is the sum in answer; It's found in the inward parts, known in the *Conscience*, and discovered by the Light, which sheweth all things in the day of what colour and nature they are.

Answer.

In order therefore to the true and pure Knowledge of the eternal Sun of the soul, it is absolutely necessary for all people to understand, That nothing corruptible can see that *Glory and Brightness* which is incorruptible, to discern aright what it is, that they may not be alwayes seeking, and never come to find,

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and ever learning, but never able to come to the true Knowledge; seeking in the backward way, and learning in a Book of Lyes. And next to know, that man's station is in sin and corruption, in absolute contrariety to the *Pure Nature of Incorruption*, and consequently hath no unity with the Glory of the *Incorruptible One*, nor hath the true knowledge of Him, and therefore in worshipping, he worshippeth *he knows not what*; which if, contrariwise, all were united in the Life, to the Life and Glory of the *Eternal Sun and Power*, then would they all know that *Incorruptible One*, and accordingly worship in the true Knowledge of Him, who is the *Eternal Brightness, Glory and Power* over all things.

Seeing then that no man knowes aught, but he which is redeemed out of Corruption, and consequently not worshippeth aught, being in Corruption, the next thing that is needful, *Quest.* he be informed of, is, *How, and by what means all men may come to be redeemed out of the state of Corruption, thereby to have a true knowledge of, and unity in Life with the Incorruptible One, and so to worship aught.* By which assuredly all Nations will come to be of *One heart, mind and soul*, seeing the cause of *Perishing and Dissension* may hereby be perceived to stand in the *Life and Nature of Corruption, Sin and Transgression*; which if all come to be redeemed out of, and united to the *Life, Power and Glory of the Incorruptible One*, must infallibly be united to each other, being all in Him, who is but one in *Love, Peace, pure Life and Nature*.

To which purpose and glorious matter (tending to the everlasting Blessing of all Nations and Peoples upon the face of the Earth) I (as followeth) hold forth and shew that plain and easie path (of which it was prophesied to the *Jews* that it should be revealed) in which the wayfaring men, though fools, cannot err; which leadeth us out of *Transgression* into a pure life of *Temperance*. Of which perfect happiness I speak to every Qualified of man, to whom this shall come, that it may witness in themselves to this living and pure Path of the glorious Sun of the Soul and Eternal Power of Creation, whereby all shall be for ever left without Excuse in the sight of the *Eternal Sun*, who have and refuse the way, and by the *Revelation of the Eternal Sun* shall be judged, condemned and cast out forever from the *Eternal Life and Glory* thereof.

Man

Man into whom a rational *Soul* is infused by the *Eternal Power* *Introd.*
 who created him (which is more than the *Beasts*, or any other crea-
 tures have) yet is brutish in his understanding and knowledge,
 occasioned through the *Lusts*, or rather lawlessness of his *Lusts*,
 which (as I have hinted) are worse than *beast-like*, daily put in
 practice, both by utterance of words, and operation of acts, in
 his Life and Conversation; so that although his Creator hath
 provided him a *Path*, a *Way*, and a *Leader*, by and in which he
 may come to be redeemed out of that sad and miserable state
 and condition of his *blindness*, *darkness*, and *ignorance* of Soul and
 mind, in which he is bound and chained by the power of *Evil*
 and *Corruption* (which I call the *Power of Darkness*, inasmuch
 as that Spirit is the original and principal cause) yet he giving
 more way unto the *Power of Darkness*, than yeelding unto the other
Power which is Light, hath lost the *true Way*, and erred from the
true Guide and Conductor (which is able to lead him into an unity
 with his glorious Creator, who is the *Power of Brightness*) and
 entered into the *Adversaries*, and now lies wallowing like the
Swine in the mire of *filth* and *filthiness* of his own *conscience*,
 yawning himself in the blood and pollution of his unwashed bo-
 dy, tumbling upon the ground of *unlawfulness* and *abominable filth*,
 as a helpless wretch, without a *shelter* and without a *shade*, naked
 and miserable without a *garment* of *virtue* or *goodness*, without
 the *Word of Hope*, or *Power of Faith*; beaten of his *Fox*, without
Hope of Redemption from his *Oppression*, and bruised of his *Enemy*,
 without relief of his *Restoration* unto his *first innocent Freedom*; and
 thus stands bound on to *death* in the *heavy chains* of *captivity*; and
 alas poor miserable blind man! though this is his lost condition;
 yet he knows not, says not, perceives it not, and so lyes not his
 misery to *heare*, which is his double fortress of *Iron*; so though
 he hath a *feigned hope* and *imagined faith* in himself, yet being in
 the *Adversaries* from the Life of his Creator; as his life is *sinful*,
 so his *faith* and *hope* in that corrupt nature is utterly *deceivable*,
 which can never unite his soul again to his Creator, but fraudu-
 lently perishes it everlastingly in the darkness under which he is
 held *through sin* and *corruption*. And though thus hath been the
 state of man almost from the Creation in the beginning, never-
 theless in hath pleased the *Heavenly Wisdom* now in these latter

dayes (as it was prophesied of to the *Jews*) to open a path, wherein
 man may return again unto Himself in that pure and perfect shape and
 likeness in which he was created by his Glorious Power: In order
 to which Return through the living Way, and leading by the true
 Leader, I hold it in estimation of the Eternal Wisdom and
 Counsel, first, to shew all the *Indians*, That Man in the beginning
 was created holy and pure, and not in Sin and corruption; which
 in this manner they may all plainly understand, viz. That where-
 as the Eternal Power and glorious Sun of the Soul is in Himself
 pure and incorruptible in Life and Nature, could not therefore
 create a thing corrupted simply so, (that is to say) made in Cor-
 ruption in his hand, without becoming corrupt himself thereby: which
 is impossible that ever that should be, Because, as his Essence is
 Eternal from all Eternity, so his Nature is immutably and un-
 changeably pure. And again, Because He being the Eternal Wis-
 dom, who made the Sun in the Firmament of the Heavens a glo-
 rious brightness, and the Moon and Stars glorious Lights in their
 places, which are visible Creatures to the corruptible eye of
 Man, it would not stand with his Wisdom, as unto the retaining
 of his Glory in Himself, to beget an invisible soul in an unclean,
 filthy and polluted state, which was the greatest of all Glories which
 were ever created: Wherefore, I say, for these three Causes,
 of his Purity, Immutability, and Wisdom, we may perceive
 that Man was created a pure Soul in the beginning, by His pure
 Power, in His pure Glory, through His pure Wisdom, of
 which the *Jews* have the Record, written from the beginning in
 the Hebrew Tongue, shewing at large Man's Creation in Inno-
 cency, the Law that was given him in that state, and likewise
 how he erred from the Law, and thereby became a subject of
 the Power of Darknes, droven from the Eternal Glory into the
 Curse, whereby the whole Creation became a Curse unto him,
 which at first also were blessed (of the Pure Eternal Brightness)
 unto Him; for, saith the Record, *When He had made all things*
 (speaking of the Eternal Power) *He saw that they were good,*
 and blessed them: whence you may all understand, as Man re-
 mains in the state of Corruption, all the Creation (which he ac-
 counts his Good, Blessing and Happiness) are assuredly unto him
 as his Curse, his Evil, and Bond of his Sin and Misery: In know-
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ledge of which, you may all come to *savour* and *relish* the blessedness of my Salvation of you all, now *forwarding* you (in all willingness of the Spirit of Truth) *to the Way*, and the *Conductor* (which is able to guide and lead you all in the same *true Way*, out of Sin, and *save* and *redeem* you from *Corruption*, which was the cause of the Curse) into the *Holiness*, *Purity* and *Incorruption*; that all your *Kings*, *Princes*, *Rulers*, *People*, *Caste* and all *created things*, may become *every-where blessed*, they *unto you*, and you *unto them*, that the Glory may be with, and in all, as it was in the beginning, even henceforth, and for ever, and for evermore, Amen.

In which *Illustration* of the way of *Redemption* from Sin and Curse that it brought, I discover the first step of Order, and Principle to the True Worship (which is) *to bow down*; To bow down in *Heart*, *Mind* and *Soul* to that *Light* of the glorious eternal Sun; which is given into your Souls for a *Law*, a *Guide*, and a *Leader*. Turn all your minds *unto the Light* in your Conscience, which discovereth in all your secret thoughts the things that are *evil*, *sinful* and *beastly*, and not of the nature of the Holy and Glorious One; and when-ever you find in your secret thoughts the power of *Corruption* and *Darkness*, tempting to draw you *resignedly* and *resolvedly* into *verbal* or *actual Sin* and *Transgression*, which is contrary to the Law and way of the holy and *incorruptible measure* of the Light of your *Immortal Souls*; Take ye that *Light* for the guide of your minds, and in so doing, you will come to feel a War of the two Powers in you; that as the Power of *Corruption* and *Darkness* (which is of the *fleshly*) doth tempt you, shewing you the *Delights*, *Profits* and *Pleasures* of that Evil unto which it tempteth you; the Power of the Light (which is of the Spirit *spiritually*) will stand up against it, representing unto you the *Evil* of the thing, the *Cursedness* of the thing, and the end of the Evil, which causeth a *Separation* from the *true Life* of *Glory* and *Salvation*; So here, standing in the Power of the *true Guide*, it winneth the Soul, and begetteth it into a greater Love and Affection with the *Incorruptible Light* and *Glory*, than with the *Abomination* and *Evil*, which causeth *Everlasting Darkness*, *Ignorance* and *Separation* from the *Glory* which endureth to all Eternity: Thus Man en-

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cline himself, drawing his mind more and more from out of
 all that which cursed is, *into the Light and Power of Salvation*
 within him, comes to be delivered from all Evil: For to this
 every mans Conscience shall affirmatively answer me, That in
 the Light of the Soul (that cometh from the Glorious Eternal
 Sun) never was any Sin or Evil committed; but *out of it*; and
contrary to it, every *act of Transgression* hath been done and
 wrought by all men; wherefore, if all men take that for the
true Way (which is not of the nature of Darkness) and the same
 for the *true Guide and Conductor* (which is not of the nature of
 Sin, but in its nature contrary to all Sin) giving up their Souls
 alwayes to be led in it, and guided by it; this must needs lead
 all from and *out of all things* which are *sinful and corruptible*, into
 its proper *Life and Nature*, by its vertuous Power operating in
 the *inward parts*; for except it could save and deliver from all
 Sin, then it could not appear to be a Verie of the Eternal Cre-
 ator, or else, that the Power of Darkness hath gotten such a Su-
 premacy, that it's become greater than the Power of Light, that
 created all things; which can never be that it should so come to
 passe, because the Power of Light is *Eternal*, even from *Eternity*
 to *Eternity*; but the Power of Darkness came *in* *in* *in*; and
 therefore of necessity must also have *an end in time*, and so ap-
 pears to be infinitely the lesser power: and seeing *it* *must*
 come, I hereby direct *all Souls* unto the *Way and Power* by
 which it is to be brought *to an end*, to know the End thereof *with-
 in themselves*, even in every mans particular Soul: And the
 Power that is to end it, must be a Power that is in nature *opposit
 unto it*, else it must alwayes be strengthened, and never come
 to be ended: Now the Power that is *opposit in Nature, Virtue,
 and Operation* unto Darkness, is the *Light*, which (as aforesaid)
 convinceth in the *inward parts* of all Evil; yet a little to illustrate
 its deliverance of the Soul from all Evil, in this lowly and un-
 covered manner I shew, That the Light in the Conscience con-
 vinceeth of the crime of *curfing words*; the which being *lovely,
 owned, and delighted in the Conscience*, delivers from the Evil
 that it convinceeth of, through begetting a shamefulness and ha-
 tred in the Soul against the Crime, and a pure love unto the *virtue
 of the Thing* that is found in *nature, quality, and property*, in op-
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position to the Crime from which the Soul is delivered; and here in the sense of this Deliverance, in measure, from Sin, ariseth a little hope of Redemption, which placeth a grain, or seed, of Trust and Confidence in the ground of this Deliverance from one Sin, which though the Faith in that state be but like a grain of Mustard Seed, yet mark the end of that Faith, for in a *pure Belief*, through the experience that the Soul hath found in the Light, strengtheneth it self in an holy Love and Enclination to follow the *pure Motions of it in all things*, in which Faith (working by Love) it comes to find the perfect Effect; that as the Light was obeyed in the *least appearance*, which accordingly delivered from the *least Sin*, the same being obeyed, loved and followed in *every appearance* (whereas it is *pure, perfect, powerful*, and of the nature of the *Immutable Creature*) cannot alter from its *Nature, Property and Virtue of saving and delivering from all Sin*. So then this is the End of that grain of Faith, which is sown in the Light, at *removes* from the Oppressed Soul, the *Rocks and Mountains of Sin and Corruption*, under which it is pressed down, and *breaks the Chains of Transgression* wherein it is bound in captivity, and *sets free in the liberty from Sin*, and unites the Soul to the *Original Glory* from whence it is descended. Wherefore this appears to be the true and undeceivable Hope in which the Soul witnesseth its Purification, and the true Faith which gives Victory over Sin, which is the *Blessed State*; but all other Faith and Hope in the Life of Corruption, under the Power of Darkness, is that which deceivably perisheth in the Soul, and is the *Cursed State*.

Yet, besides this Declaration of the Power (which unto every Rational Intellect may appear *plain, clear, and manifest*) doubtless, thousands (who of a truth this day do live in the Light, and are directly led and guided by it) together with this Witness, can experimentally testify at large, that they in *substance, Truth and very deed*, have found, and constantly do find it *redeeming, delivering, and saving them from all verbal and actual Sin, and from all resolutions of mind unto Sin*, in which formerly they were held under a *misal Captivity* by the predominating Power of Darkness; these therefore are they to whom the *true and saving Saviour of the Soul is truly and rightly known*; who answerably is

the true and living Knowledge do worship in the true and living Way: and these are all of one mind and soul, living joyfully and unanimously in one individual Spirit of Brightness, which created all Souls, and in this Life are at peace together for ever; So here are no Quarrellings nor Wranglings, Strife, Brawls, Fightings, suing nor persecuting one another for the visible created things, which in the Worlds nature are corruptible and cursed; neither can such a thing be among them, because the free Law that is in them, leads to the nourishing and cherishing each other, as flesh of the same flesh, and bone of the same bone, being all Members but of one incorruptible body; And ye know, that no man hateth his own flesh, but nourisheth and cherisheth it: much more (therefore) they, though many, yet being moulded from the corruptible into the incorruptible Spirit of Light and Glory, are become but one, living in the Unity, which is everlasting, as Members meetly composed to shew forth the Glory of the Eternal Sun of the Soul, in the endless Life of Love, Concord, and Peace.

Thus having shewed the Way or Redemption from Sin, and sanctifying the Soul unto its Creator, which leads unto the true Knowledge in a pure Union with its Creator: I would next shew the true and living Worship, according to the true Knowledge which I have received from him in the true Way.

The first step of which, (as I have before said) is, *To bow down, and incline the Mind unto the Light, which inwardly enlighteneth the Soul; and the next step after bowing down the Mind unto it, is, To wait in it, to know the Mind made subject in all Obedience unto it, whereby the perfect work of Sanctification may be thorowly wrought in you, that ye may be all made meet Vessels, Tabernacles and Temples, to receive the Virtue into, which make the Sacrifice, Service and Worship accepted of the Holy Eternal Power, before whom you draw near to offer, for except the Sacrificers and Worshipers be of the Nature of the Holy Power to whom they sacrifice, that their Worships may be performed in the same, both the Adorations, and the Adorers, are but a stink in the pure sense of the holy Love of the Eternal Power and God of the Soul; and this you may all easily know: for if you put Christal Water into a stinking noysome unprepared Vessel,*

fel, the Water immediately corrupteth, and partaketh of the stink of the Vessel, and being poured forth, is unfit then to be put into another clean Vessel, lest that Water (that was first sweet in its own simple nature) should defile the other Vessel thereby; and the like is, if Excremental Water should be first put into a clean Vessel, &c. And since it is so, much lesse then can *Corrupt Sacrifices* or *Sacrificers*, have any Acceptance with the Holy One; for in such a thing he should be no more *Holy*, but as one that is joyned in unity with the Defiled and Unclean; which thing can never be, because (as I have shewed) of his *Eternity* and *Immutability*: But ye, by waiting in the Light, in all pure and living Obedience, will come (as pre-cited) unto the true purification and Renovation of the whole Mind and Soul, which bears the fleshy Tabernacle, or Temple, about it.

Again, Waiting in the Light, with your Minds turned in all singleness into it in your inward parts, being patient in that state and condition of Waiting, and standing a while in holy Content in that step of the true Worship of the Eternal Power, (who spake to the Hebrews, saying, *To obey is better than Sacrifice*) you will at length, in His Glorious good Pleasure, come to feel the Rising of His Glorious Power in you; which Appearance I call, *The Dawning of the Everlasting Day*; for it is to be understood, that all the time of the Darknesse, is the time of the Night, of which Sin and Corruption are the Clouds which bar and blot men from the Glory of the shining Day; yet in that state of the night there is a secret power set to rule, which dispensation is called *the Light of the Moon*; that as the visible Moon was created to rule the Night in the visible appearance; even so the invisible Light was put into the invisible Soul, to rule in the time of darkness and ignorance, by which power (though the whole world stands in a *Chaos* of Confusions, and because of the darkness they know it not, yet the World is preserved, so as that every man thirsteth not after the blood of his neighbour, which if there were not an invisible and secret Power of the Light ruling in the darkness of the Night, the whole Earth would outwardly become as an Ocean of Violence, and her face be overwhelmed with Blood, yea, what might I say? Murders would reduce all men to the last man; and what would he do? even

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purge himself also under *disparagement* of the former works of his hands. But all men now coming to grow in mind and soul out of the Night, into the glorious Light of the Sun of the Soul, which opens the *Everlasting Day*, through waiting as it will come to feel the rising of the Power unto a greater beauty and splendor, whereby they will come to see the Light of the Moon to become as the Light of the Sun which is arisen in the open day, and finding the operation of it encreasing in the inward parts, breaking them forth either into brokenness and contriteness of heart, or the spiritual praise of the Eternal power, or forcing them to pour forth Supplications and Prayers unto him, or in his heard to sound the Trumpet of his Voice, declaring his *Jah* and acceptable year, which is at hand, this I still call the rising of the Eternal Sun in his glory and brightness in them, and they in this performing the duty required of them, the which they having fulfilled, quieting themselves as it falls in a sphere or degree lower, here unto them the Promise is fulfilled (which was prophesied of to the Jews, saying) *from the rising of the Sun, to the going down of the same, Incense and Sacrifice shall be offered in the Temple of the Eternal Power.*

Moreover, *all men abide in the same Power of the Rising of the Eternal Sun, though a careful and constant watch of the mind in it, they will come to see it rise in such a glory, that as first the Light of the Moon that ruled the night, became as the Light of the Sun which ruled the day; So the Light of the day that is now spring from on high, shall be as the Light of seven dayes, abiding as an Everlasting Glory of Brightness, even for ever and ever; and then will their Maker make his Tabernacle among them, and they shall be his Temple and Habitation, and he will be their Dwelling, Rest, Peace, Joy, Life and Glory eternally.*

Quest. Hereby all men may see the true Worship and Sacrifice, what it is, and in what Life and Power it is to be performed to find acceptance and answer concerning which, if any should say, that I have neither told them the manner, nor the manner, nay, nor the manner plainly in which man shall worship in Prayers, &c.

Ans. To such I answer, Touching the manner of Prayer, it is to be understood, that Prayer is a Petition or Desire poured forth for something

something that is needful, either to a mans own particular state and condition, or else, that is necessary for other men. Now seeing the whole Creation stands in the alone disposal of the glorious Wisdom of the Creator of all things, he therefore knows best what is needful unto every mans estate, which no man of himself doth know, neither can know what is necessary for himself, or any other Soul, but by the pure and immediate openings of the Light in the Soul, which purely doth proceed from the eternal glorious Wisdom; therefore I teach no man words, but labour to lead all men to the understanding of the eternal Wisdom and Power within them, in this Light to walk, that in his Life they may feel the Risings of the Power of his Wisdom, which then may give utterance of words unto a man, that were never known before by a man, even such words as shall be suitable to the state of want either of himself or others, and sometime also for the preservation of all souls in the blessed state: all which (is the good time of the Eternal Wisdom) shall be answered, who cannot deny himself, nor that which is of his own Nature, and performed in his own Life and Power: So then this in brief, no man of himself knows what to Pray for as he ought, but the Spirit of Light of the Eternal Wisdom helpeth the sanctified man's infirmities (that is to say) his weakness of knowledge, and giveth unto him either Lights, graces, thoughts, or words, which answereth his Eternal Will in the Power of Wisdom, which is the true matter of Prayer, whereby every man's Formality and Will-worships comes to be abolished; whereunto also much may be understood, as to the manner and time, seeing it leads out of *pre-fixed words and times*, that likewise stand in the adulterated will, wholly into the will and time of the Eternal Wisdom, in which still, as a motion, is inwardly found the matter was given, and so his purpose comes to be revealed and known.

In this order of Worship all People may be thoroughly satisfied, That that which a man receives in the Eternal Power, and immediately from the Eternal Wisdom, into a sanctified Vessel, is a *Adoration and Worship* at a real certainty and assurance, and in no wayes dubious; and therefore may well be *believingly received*, and perfectly owned by a man, whilst all other sort of Worship (if the eyes of men were but a little open to see it) must needs be *doubted*,

doubted, because it is of that which a man knows not what, nay nor can say that his *method, manner, time*, nay, nor yet his own *person or soul* hath any acceptance of the unknown thing that he doth worship in his vain imaginations.

Yet it is in me to instance another uncovered Case, that in its nakedness every man may discern between the true and the false *Worship*, and accordingly chuse the better, if their hearts can take an affection to the better.

All People upon the face of the Earth may take one *set form of words, manner and time*, and in that custom pray all dayes of their lives; and yet *live and dye in unity* one to another, as it's this day manifest among many Sects that have *set-forms of words, manner and times* appointed for *Worship*, yet are of these minds; some of them flattering others of their Brethren and Fellow-worshippers to their faces, whilst they hate them in their hearts, and revile them behind their backs; And others of them there are, that love one another to day, for the sake of the *corruptible things*, and the same persons on the morrow seen fighting one against another, to gain the most of the *corruptible things*, or a fear of presumption one above another, and sought in *envy and malice* one towards another, even unto death; this is the spirit of the power of darkness; and all the *Prayers and Worships* in it stand in the *adulteration and separation* from the *Life and Power of the Eternal, Immutable, Love*, and therefore is absolutely manifest to be the *Cursed State*.

But all People drawing to worship in the *Spirit of the Power of Light*, which is the *Eternal virtue of Love and Unity*, here must certainly be found unanimous prayers with joyful hearts; or rather (as I have formerly shewed) with one heart and soul, because the *one Spirit and power of Love*, makes all but of *one soul*; so to every *Prayer and Supplication* in this Spirit, all souls in the same Spirit say, *Amen in Truth*; and when they are (according to every mans occasion) separated and departed in body one from another, yet still they are together as *one individual body* in the *individual Spirit of eternal love and unity*; and thus they live in the body to the end; and thence for ever in the same Spirit rest everlastingly out of the body without end. These therefore I call the *true worshippers in the true worship*, and is the

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Blessed State : Because, as the first stands in the *Adulteration* and *Degeneration* from the true likeness of the holy Creator, and therefore impossible that that state can have acceptance of him ; so this latter mentioned, being in the true *likeness*, and therein finding the true *Unity* with the *Power of Brightness* in which the Worship is performed, and therefore must infallibly have acceptance of him. From this Testimony (which stands not only in the *Letter* or *Declaration*, but in the power of an *Endless Life* and *Unity*) it appears without controverſie, that *this*, and only *this* latter of the *Spirit of Love* and *Unity*, is the *Blessed State*.

A few things I have still to shew unto the *INDIANS*, even such of them who have not yet known the eternal glorious Wisdom and Power of Creation, who of himself being without *beginning of days*, and *end of time*, made, composed, and created all things in the *beginning of time*, that as they come to the true knowledge of him, may be turned from *trusting in*, or *worshipping* of any created *Glory*, and only believe and trust in him, and come to worship him who is the *Creator* of every *Soul* on Earth, as likewise every visible *Glory* that is placed in the Firmament of the Heavens. To all therefore that believe that the visible *Sun* in the Firmament (which ruleth the visible day) is the *Supreme Power* by which all things are ruled and governed, and accordingly do worship it, and the *Moon* that ruleth the external time of the night : I have to give you to understand, that in the whole Creation of *Fishes* and *Worms*, which are in the *Waters* under the Earth, together with the *Worms* that are in the Earth, the *Plants*, *Trees* and other living things that are upon the face thereof, with every *Glory* of the Heavens, (*viz.*) the *Sun*, *Moon*, *Stars*, *Clouds* of *Rain*, *Hail* and *Snow*, *Dews*, *Winds*, *Rain-bow*, *Lightnings* and *Thunders*, and whatsoever else may be sensed by the external *Seeing*, *Hearing*, *Feeling*, *Tasting* or *Smelling* of the body of man ; I say, in all these the Eternal, most holy Wisdom, and glorious *Sun* of the *Soul* is hid and veiled from man in his state of *Sin* and *Corruption*, agreeable to what I have signified touching the contrariety between *Corruption* and *Incorruption*, *Light* and *Darkness*, *Purity* and *Beastliness*, the which I passe by for the present, drawing to the dis-

covery of a few things in the Light of the Day, wherein it may be understood, *That the visible Sun in the Firmament, is not the Supreme Power*, but that it is a *Created Glory* by the glorious *Son of the Soul*, which is the *Eternal, Invisible, and Supreme Power*. First, from the nature of the *visible Sun*, as it is a *simple creature*, which is *hot, fiery, scorching, and burning*; so that if there were not a *Supreme Power above it*, ruling and governing it in a most glorious Power of Wisdom, by *sending Sun in due season*, (which as a distinct and simple creature, is contrary to the nature of the Sun, being cold and moist) the whole Earth would become *dried up*, and utterly unfruitful, by which means every thing upon the face thereof must of necessity *die and perish*: Wherefore in the Light of the *Sun of the Soul* you will come to know, *that the visible Sun in the Firmament was made and created to serve man*, and consequently, *not for man to live down and worship it*: To serve Man thus, In one respect, as a light to the sight of Mans *Body*, or *bodily Eye*, whereby he might travel, work and labour in the time of the day for the sustenance of his outward being, as the *Eternal Power* in his *Wisdom* hath appointed: And in another respect, tending also to Mans *Subsistence*, the *Eternal Wisdom* hath created it to serve Man, yielding unto the Earth of the strength of its heat after the cold times and rain, drawing up from the Earth *visible and bodily shapes* of *Trees, Herbs, Corn*, and all the good *Increase* that the Earth in due season doth yield.

Again, It is to be understood, that the *visible Sun* hath its *Distance and Appointment* from a *Power above it*, as it is manifest in its *Rising and Falling* in sundry Degrees, in *Winter and Summer*, and also by its constant course, in twenty four hours compassing the Earth, as a *Circle*; and so it is evident, that it is not its *own Ruler and Governour*, because it is *limited to a course in all Seasons of its Appointment*, and therefore cannot be the *Creator of any thing*; but must of necessity be as the other *Creatures*, a *Created thing*; because if *nothing visible* be created by a *Power*, certainly *all things visible must be created by the same Power*, and consequently the *visible Sun* and *Man* also; and that *Man, Beasts, Worms and Fruits* were created by a *Wisdom and Power*, is very plain, appearing by their several kinds and

and services; and also being dead and rotten, their very dust sheweth of what they were made in the beginning; for whilst their *End* is seen to be dust, their *Beginning* or *Creation* must needs be understood to be of *Dust* also: and the same Power that created the *Earth*, and *all that is in it*; also created the *Sea*, and *all that in them is*, which is an Element contrary to the nature of the visible Sun, where the visible Sun hath no power of burning, nor yet of making Food in the Deeps to grow at the bottoms thereof, to feed the Fishes that are therein: But the same Eternal Power and Wisdom which filleth all places, provideth a sustenance as well for the Fishes in the Deeps, and all the Worms of his Workmanship, in their Bottoms, as He doth for *Man*, *Beast*, *Fowls* and *Creeping-things* that live upon the face of the Earth, unto which the visible *Sun*, *Moon* and *Stars*, with the *Clouds* of *Rain*, *Dews* and *Winds* are servants, ordained and appointed by the Eternal and infinitely wise Creator of all things *visible* and *invisible*. So then thus it may be clearly apprehended touching the Work of Creation, That none other can possibly be the Creator of all things, besides a Power and Eternal Essence, which hath something of a Being in all things in the *Tranquillity*, *Love*, and *Pain* of His own Life in Himself; by, and in which all things are upheld and preserved in their due and appointed courses; for that which Created all things, must absolutely be the *Life* and *Preservation* of all things by his *Continual Presence*; and undeniably also the death of all things, through the withdrawing of his Essence and Presence; because, as the Creator is but one, and his Life but one, doubtless therefore it is but his Life alone that doth or can give Life, his Presence that gives Being, and preserves Life; and the withdrawing thereof, the fall of all flesh unto Death. Whereby it appeareth that his Glorious Wisdom hath hid and concealed Himself from all the children and seed of Corruption, in the Decree of the Death of Man's Body by *Sickness*, *Poisoning*, *Drowning*, *Burning*, *Strangling*, *Wounding*, *Starving*, &c. for He having created all things, could make Man to live *Under Waters*, in *Fire*, not *feeling Wounds*, without Food, &c. but his Glorious Power and Wisdom will not be tempted, because He will be revered and greatly feared in all things, and in Fear, worshipped and

served as the Creator of all things. Now, as for the *visible Sun*, being naturally contrary to the Element of the *Rivers and Sea*, cannot possibly dwell with the *Fishes* that are in their Waters, so as to give them a constant subsistence of Life, the which the meanest capacity may easily perceive, being a fiery Element; for, if a burning Coal of Fire be cast into Water, it becomes quenched by the Water; or, if a Drop of Water be cast into a great Flame of Fire, it consumes to nought: therefore it is not the *visible Sun* that gives the *Fishes* their being in the Seas, nor yet *Man* his life upon the Earth, but the *visible Sun* (as aforesaid, together with the *Fishes* and all other Creatures) was made a servant unto *Man*, unto whom all things unto this day are so continued, that he having the service of all things visible, yea, of the Glory of the Winds, which is an *invisible Creature*, attending him with sustentation, according to the Providence of the Glorious Eternal Wisdom, should with his whole soul seek and feel after his Creator, to attain unto the true knowledge of Him, therein to worship Him with all *Thanksgiving, Glory, Honour, Obedience and Praise*, who as he made every thing to serve his Body (into which his Glorious Wisdom infused a perfect and upright Soul, which was the greatest of all Glories that in the beginning were created, in how much it had a true resemblance in invisible manner of the Invisible Power and Glory that created it, of which none other creature had the like) could not expect lesse from *Man*, than that he should worship and serve his Eternal Goodness, with every Faculty of that Soul which He put into him. But yet I draw nearer to the most certain and true *Witness* in every Conscience of Mankind, to remonstrate (a little) the Glory of the most Glorious Sun of the Soul, shewing how it is a Glory in the most Glorious Part, where the external and visible Sun reacheth not to enlighten nor shine about; That so, in a little measure, discerning the Excellency of *the One*, in Glory exceeding *the Other*, you may come to know aright the *True, Living, Eternal, Wise and Supreme Power*, which ruleth and reigneth over all things. In proceed whereof, it is to be apprehended, *That the Soul and Mind of Man is the most noble part of Man*, in as much as every Member of the Body is asked as a continual Servant in Obe-

Obedience to the *Motions of the Soul and Mind of Man*; and also, because the Soul is the *Immortal Part*, being not formed of a *dead substance*, as the Body was of the Earth, which returneth to Earth; but of an inspiring Breath of Life, that for ever abides in a quick and feeling state; the which Soul being taken out of the Body, leaves it (as aforesaid), to a Conversion unto its first Mould.

Wherefore, seeing the *visible Sun* only enlightens the *Eye of flesh*, which is the *servile part*, and reacheth no further to shine about a Man, than *without a Man*, from which a Garment, Shelter, or House, is able to shade, Cannot be the Supreme Power and Glory; But the *Eternal Sun of the Soul* shines into the *Soul*, and enlightens the Inward Parts, and searcheth the Heart, and tryeth every secret Thought, and is secret unto all things, as having perfect knowledge of all things, from which nothing can be hid: For let a Man ascend to the Skyes, it will reach him, and search his dark heart there; or, if he go down into the Deepes, it will follow him and be with him there; and when the visible Sun is set, and gone down under the *Horizon*, even at Midnight, the Light of the Soul can rip up every word and work (in the inward secret thoughts) of Sin and Evil, done and committed by a Man, and call the Soul to witness with it, which brings a Judgement and Condemnation in the Conscience, that smites a Man with *Fear and Trembling* within himself; which the *visible Sun* in the Firmament cannot do: for a Man may commit *Beastliness and Murder* whilst the *visible Sun* shines on him; which he cannot do in Countenance, nay, nor without Condemnation of the Light of the Sun of the Soul; and therefore the *visible Sun* must needs appear to be infinitely short of the Glory of the *Invisible Light* that created all things.

Again, If the *visible Sun* had created the *invisible Soul of Man*, then must it also search and save it, and so be the greater Power, and of a Nature doing all things, which all may know that it is not so; for, in its proper nature, as a single Creature, it doth but serve in the things (afore-mentioned) not blowing any Wind, nor raining any Water, nor can it so much as drive back one Cloud of all that the Wind bloweth over it, and so
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shake is not the Trees, nor troubleth the Seas, which the storms of Wind do; all which are created, ruled and governed by the Eternal Power and Sun of the Soul, of whom I speak but as a Child and Suckling, He being in his Power, Wisdom and Glory *Infinite and Incapable*; Yet in His Light I shew, that although the Soul of Man is so inferior to Him, that the Souls of all Men in the Earth are comprehended of Him, as a drop of Water in the Sea, and as a Sand in the bottom thereof, (which every Man may feel *within himself*, in his own particular Soul) yet the low and poor Soul of Man reacheth to the height; yea, and far above the height of the prefixed Course and Circle of the *visible Sun's* appointed daily Race; So then the *visible Sun* (as I have said) reaching not *within a man* to search his Soul; nay, nor (as it's placed in the Firmament) neither by Ray nor light of Ray thereof can enter so much as into divers Artificial places, Caves or holes of Darkness made in the Earth, though the Invention of the Soul of Man, where the more *secrets pass* (to wit) the fleshy body of Man can enter; being therefore in its glory so far (yea, and far more than I stand to mention) below the poor Soul that it is infused by a Power into the body of Man; Surely infinitely much more must it needs appear to be below the Glory of the Eternal Sun of the Soul and Power of the Creation, by which the Soul was first made in His own likeness of *Holiness and Innocency*, and comes again to be renewed into the same Image and Similitude, to live in the invisible Glory of his most Glorious Life, in the perfect Inheritance, Fruition and Possession of his unspeakable Joies and Pleasures for ever and evermore.

Now (to the Purpose of the Universal and Everlasting Unity) I am opened to speak of *Three Properties* of the Eternal Brightness, That as all Men come to the *Renovation* into the first Similitude of *Innocency and Union* with their Maker in that Glory, (as the way is plainly and easily held forth unto all, wherein they may so come to unite in their Maker as one sanctified Body for ever) may see, and sit down in the Joy of their happy Benefit therein.

1. One Property of the Nature of the *Holy One*, is *Peace*, perfect Peace, without ever having *disquiet* in himself. All

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Souls therefore uniting to the principle of his Brightness in *them*, and dwelling in it as He abideth and resteth in Himself, will come to see themselves swallowed up (as in a bottomless and endless Ocean) in the same property of his Nature, (*viz.*) in Everlasting Peace of the Soul, felt and enjoyed immorally, which will wrap up all Souls in such a height above disorder, or any thing of that Nature that is adulterated from the Holy Similitude, that all will chuse that their Earthly Members may dye, (that their Souls may for ever possess the Peace) rather than to live in the body of flesh, to break the Peace of their particular Souls, or the Peace of any of the Souls of the Spiritual Body of Peace, to whom (in the Eternal Peace) they are united, which is the immeasurable state of Blessing, passing all Understanding.

2. Another Property of the Nature of the Holy One is Love, perfect Love without Hypocrisy or Envy in Himself. All therefore uniting unto the Power of *Agape* unto the *Glennial Likeness*, will come to see the Eternal Love feeding, and saving his Enemies; and the Restored being of the same Similitude of their Maker, must in that respect do as their Creator doth, love and save Enemies; for they cannot do otherwise, being of the Bowels of their Maker: And whilst this Spirit loveth Enemies, much more must *lets the united in the Love unto it*: if it cannot love nor save Enemies, much less the united Friends: But all in this Spirit are full partakers of the *unspeakable Bowels of Eternal Love* to each other, which is the immeasurable state of Blessing, passing all Understanding.

3. Another Property of the Nature of the Holy One, is *Openness*, perfect Openness without passion of Cruelty in Himself. All therefore joyning to the Power of the New Creation, will come to see the Power of Openness, which is able to rent all Hearts possessing it; for whilst Man hath turned in Cruelty (even unto murder of the sighing and groaning measure of the Light in himself) against his Creator, (who first gave the measure in the bounty of his Everlasting Love, that Man by it should be led to be like Him [the Giver of it] in holy merciful bowels) Yet, in Mercy upon Mercy, hath now lastly provided Him a Voice to call unto it, as a crying Bloodshed upon the Earth, and

and also to awaken his Bloody Soul that shed it, drawing his Soul near unto it, to reconcile himself with the Soul in and by it, though the Soul hath treacherously dealt with him and murderously fought in Rebellion against him. This shews *Mercy to Enemies, Pity to Rebels, Compassion to Bloody Traitors*; wherefore, as all come to Unite unto the Power of Mercy, to be led into the true Image, and accordingly in Union with the Eternal Fountain of Mercy, not one will be able in it to do a thing contrary to the nature of it. But the whole World comes to be as one intire glorious Body of *Mercy, Pity and Compassion*, whereby no *Distress, Languishing, Want or Misery* will be found upon the face of the Earth, which is the immeasurable state of Blessing, passing all Understanding.

Haply some may say, *That it is evident, that Peace, Love and Mercy is the immeasurable state of Blessing, passing all understanding; and therefore Discord, Envy and Cruelty, being the three qualities in contrariety, must be the woful state of the Curse;* yet may desire more largely to know, *How the Curse came, through an opening of the Original Cause and Universal Chain of Discord, Envy and Cruelty, which is the Cursed State.*

Quest.

Introd.

There is but *One Original Good* (as I have plainly manifested) who created all things, and put into his creature, Man, that living part that sensibly thinketh, which is called the *Soul and Mind*, the which he created in an infinite degree below his immutable holy Essence (who can never change from his pure Nature to think in Himself a thought of Evil; yet he knoweth the thoughts of Evil in every Man's Heart) For though He made it in his likeness, pure, clean, holy, innocent and wise, yet made it in none other state, than that he ought to know, that it had a *Creator and Maker*, and, by whose Power, that made it, could only be kept and preserved in the similitude of Him that created it, for being put into a body of flesh, he gave it a sense of Feeling there, as likewise in it a sense of the rest of the Creation, as *Birds, Fishes, Fowls, &c.* to whom this was the substance of the *first Commandment* given him in his state of *Innocency*, *That he should not go in his Soul* (out from the Power that created him a *living Soul*) *into the flesh for knowledge of pleasure*, for thereby he should adulterate his Soul with the flesh, and

and so both the *Soul* and the *flesh* become a *Corruption* and *Cause* of *Death*; and in so doing he should go from the Likeness of his Creator, who cannot go out of Himself into any creature for knowledge or pleasure; But Man's Soul entering into consultation with an aspiring Concupiscence in the feeling of his own flesh, yielded to know, and gave himself thereinto, and so became as a wedded spouse unto Corruption; in that day was *his first Evil*, and the Birth of the *first Devil*; whereby it may be understood that the Eternal Wisdom never derogated from his Glory of Holiness in the Creation, so as that any man may say, he created a Devil immediately in his hand, which could never be (as I have formerly shewed more largely) by his Eternal Holiness, Immutability and Wisdom, but creating all things in themselves mutable, even Man's innocent Soul also in it self mutable as well as any other of the Creatures; and reserving Immutability only in himself, that Man might know Him as his Maker, and so live only in Him, as the Immutable One, in his Holiness, Wisdom, Life, Glory and Joy; but he letting forth his Mind out of the Immutable Power of Wisdom and Preservation, became (as aforesaid) an *Evil-doer*, and then his *Thoughts* were not like unto the *Thoughts* of his Maker, nor his *Knowledge*, nor *Nature*, like unto that in which he was created, but all his Faculties alienated, degenerated and separated in the *Adulteration*, from the Likeness, Life and immutable Power and Wisdom of his Creator; so that being the *first actual Evil*, must needs be the birth of the *first Devil*, seeing the Devil is that Mind that doth evil in every man; and therefore nothing could be called an *Evil-doer*, until an Evil was first done and committed; which I speak, to the end of stopping and putting an end to all *blasphemous suppositions* and *imaginings*, and of sanctifying the Name of the Holy One (in the eyes of all Nations) whilst I speak of Him in the Glorious Power of His Wisdom in the Work of his Creation. Thus then as followeth in Answer.

Man's *Adulteration* from the virtue of the Life of his Maker, alienated the Faculties of his Soul, and brought upon it horrid Darkness and Confusion, which spread over him, as an extreme and mighty Power, until which there was no *Enmity*, *Envy*,

Discord nor Cruelty known in the Earth, but man was at Peace and Unity in his Innocency with the Holy One; Therefore the Original Cause of *Discord*, *Envy* and *Cruelty*, was *Transgression*, and the Chain thereof to this day among Men is the *Power of Darkness*.

For the sake therefore of your *Redemption*, I am again pressed in Spirit, to remind all with the Power that breaks the *curst Chain of Darkness*, which is the *Light*, that is able to do it; (as all draw their minds into it, and dwell in it in their inward parts) and restore again into that state which was before *Transgression* was, in the perfect Freedom and Liberty from *Envy*, *Enmity*, *Discord* and *Cruelty*, in the *Glory* and *Brightness* of *Innocency*, where the *Wisdom* comes to be received which keeps and preserves the *Peace*, *Love* and *Unity* in the Everlasting Power and *Virtue of Life*; and here the *Earth* that once was the *Kingdom*, becomes the *Paradise*, and *Heaven* becomes the *inhabited Kingdom* for ever, which cloatheth the Soul with a Garment ten thousand times ten thousand fold brighter than is the *Glory* of the visible Sun; for the Rayment is the perfect *Glory* of the Eternal Splendor, which wraps us up with the *Swelling* of the *Rainbow* of Joys, which is the *Eternal* *Peace* and *Benefit* of the Blessedness of its Change, from the nature of *Discord*, *Enmity* and *Cruelty* to the Spirit of *Peace*, *Love*, *Unity* and *Harmony*; from *Corruption* to *Incarnation*; from *Darkness* to *Light*; from *Condemnation* to *Justification*; from *Death* to *Life*.

Yet furthermore, for the opening of the Counsel of the Mystery of Salvation; O all ye Kings, Princes, Rulers, and People every where throughout the Earth, know ye in your selves the *Light* of the *Eternal* *Sun* of *Glory* to be the *Living* and *washing* *Fountain* that is able to make the Soul in every Thought even as *white as Snow*; and feel it in your selves as the *Refiners* *Fire*, which is able to purge you until you be made as pure as the Gold that is seven times tried; and therefore wait in the Operation thereof, that you may see its blessed Effect, in which *Righteousness* will run down as *Streams*, and the *Knowledge* of the *Glory* of the *Eternal* *Wisdom* will cover the *Earth*, as *Waters* cover the *Seas*; and here you will come to see your selves

as the Christal Channels through which the living Waters of the Fountain of Heaven will be a continual Current, the sweet Streams thereof overflowing the blessed Vallies *within you*, and watering every Plant *therein*, making all things fruitful *in you*, and *among you*; fruitful in Truth, fruitful in Hope, Faith, Love, Mercy, Peace, Fear, Humility, Meekness, Patience, Content, Prayer, Praise, Thanksgiving, Knowledge, Wisdom, and all Virtue; this will be a Beauty *in your Faces*, and a Diadem of Glory *upon your Heads*, in which the Wonderful Counsellor will take pleasure to speak unto you in His Myste-rious and Omnipotent Language, which shall be *but one* through- out all the Earth, and will open an Incorruptible Eye *in you*, even to see the Glory of his Eternal Face, which will overcome you with Joyes, and ravish you with Eternal Pleasures, as a Generation that is carried up out of the Earthly Places: Verily I cannot express the Sweetness, as my Soul possesseth it, *within* in the Spirit, what besides my own state saved in the Eternal Sun of the Soul; Oh! my *Ravished Mind*, in the con- sideration of the Day wherein Nations shall embrace the Hea- vents of all Love, and plentifully suck the Milk of her Breasts, which gives the nourishment of Eternal Life. Oh! the *Ever- lasting Consolation* which the Children of Brightness shall possess and inherit in the Bosom of the Eternal Glory, even for ever and evermore! Amen.

And now, Are not the thoughts of this Glorious Salvation, Unity, Peace, Love, Joy and Pleasure of Life (which may in this way be found, possessed and enjoyed to the End, among all People and Nations upon the face of the Earth; and in, and with the Glorious Brightness in the Heavens above) enough to persuade, win and compel all Soules (even with one draught of the Cord of Love) to *repent and embrace it*? as they may sink down into the Deep, and consider in what a good time their dayes are fallen into, wherein so glorious a Way is now come to be opened in such *plainness, cleanness, nakedness and easiness*, wherein they may all attain to every title of the Benefits, yea, and a thousand fold more than the tongue of man can mention, exceeding all that is before said, infused and written? Sure- ly methinks, he that would miss a Portion of the pre-cited Bless-ings,

sings, and eternal joyous Inheritance for want of looking for it in the *True Way*, being so faithfully spoken unto him, as to *wish in him*, and therefore so easie to be found, as not to look *without himself* to seek and find it, must not only confess himself to be a *Fool* in his own heart, but also as a *Devil* in his continual words and works, and seven-fold worthy of Condemnation under the power of Darkness and Death, unto its Pit of the burnings of *Fire* and *Torment* for ever and ever. What therefore might I more say, *that the Dead might hear and live* ; or that *Rock* might *rent* and become hearts of *flesh* to perceive and understand ? for, the Word is *quick*, the Voice is *piercing*, and the Life is *powerful*, in and under which I rest in the *pure, perfect and blessed Peace* ; hereby shewing forth, in measure, my Spirit and Soul (created anew in the Holy Love) unto all Nations and Peoples, without respect of persons, upon the face of the whole Earth ; wherein I stand clear, whether they will hear or forbear.

By that all Kings, Princes and Rulers are (in the Light) come thus far, *some* may haply make forth their Convincement of the Truth, saying, *It is certainly true and evident, that an Universal Peace and Unity, Love and Amity cannot be perfectly and purely had, held and enjoyed among all Nations besides, in the one Principle that unites to the Eternal Power in his own Life and Nature ; for He only being the Glorious Wisdom that created all things, must necessarily be the alone Preserver and Upholder of all things ; and whatsoever stands united unto Him in the Light, abides in the Perfection of the Peace, Love, and Mercy of the Immutable Spirit of Wisdom and Glory : And now other way can there be unto Blessing besides the Light in the Conscience, which is given of the Eternal Wisdom for a Way and Leader unto all Souls.*

Quest.

But what is this Light and its abolition ?

Ans.

It endeth all the *Wisdom*, with its effects and fruits, which stands in the *Adulteration* and *Separation* from the Eternal and unlimited *Wisdom of Holiness and Brightness* : It endeth all *Customs, Traditions, Ways and Worship*, and whatsoever may be thought, that stand in the *degenerate and enfeebled nature* ; and breaketh all *Drags and Bulwarks* of *limitation* that stand in the *Course*, as a fence against its full, *powerful and unlimited Propagation*,

gation, that through its free and unlimited Operation it may lead all unto the Blessed state of *Everlasting Union* with the *Holy Unlimited One*, where there is no more *Transgression* nor *Curse*.

Now if any particular King, Prince or Ruler, should further adde to his perswasion, saying; *This is the Truth, and the true and living Way in which only the Holy One can be known and worshiped aright; and therefore I am henceforth resolved and resigned in my whole Soul, to live, walk and worship in the same: But whereas I have a Kingdom, Province, or Territory under my Authority, What shall I do to these People to make them be Quest.*
all of this mind?

Thou having found the true and living way, blessed art thou *Ans.* having found it, if thou walkest and abidest in it; therein to be led from *degree, to degree day by day, more and more* into the likeness of *Him*, who anew createth thy Soul *within thee*; for herein thou shalt reap a plentiful harvest of his Wisdom in thy *inward parts*, which will give thee in the Day of Brightness to see, that He draweth all *into Himself* with the *Cords* of the Power of Love in his Glorious Wisdom, whose Counsel will accordingly instruct thee to retain the perfect similitude of his Glory, and therefore shall draw all *by the same love of Wisdom*, into the *same Light and Virtue of Love and Wisdom*, and in none other Power shalt thou work with any man, besides *that* by which thy Maker worketh *in thee*; for else thou wilt degenerate and go utterly from the likeness of thy Creator, as the wicked and rebellious Rulers of the Earth do, to *Envy, Imprisoning, Persecuting, Killing, Murdering, and spilling of Blood*; all which stand in the adulteration and separation from, and in the *curst enmity to the Life of thy Creator*, which is *Peace, Love and Mercy*; and thus, instead of seeking to draw others to Him, thou thy self wilt run like a *Fugitive and Vagabond* from Him, and bring *guilt* upon thy own head, by shortning the *dayes* of such as thou dost *imprison and persecute*, to whole Life thou art not able to adde a day; and for killing that which thou canst not make alive again: And there also the *weighty price of Soules* will be charged grievously *upon thee*, for which thou canst never make satisfaction; and if through thy *Cruelty* thou shouldst turn *any* to thy self, it is but unto *that life* which is *wholly curst*; and
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therefore keep thee towards *all men*, as thy Creator keeps towards *thee*, loving *all men*, as He loveth *enemies*, and hath greatly loved *thee*; and wait upon thy Creator, praying to Him for *all men*, like as a long while He waited upon *thee*, for thus thou growest into His true *Similitude*; and (mark the end) in *His Time*, he who formed and renewed thy Soul in Himself, will do the like to many more of thy *Region and Dominion*; and then as the Soul of thy Maker was rejoiced in thy *Return unto Himself*; so wilt thou have an exceeding Joy in *their Return unto Him also*, for whom thy Soul *travelleth and thirsteth* in secret fervent desires: And as in this *Particular*, so in every *Particular Case*, walk thee as one that is moulded into a *new frame*, like unto the *Holy One thy Maker*; and in so doing, thy Fruits will be abundant to His Praise, and He will take pleasure to enrich thy Soul with His *Everlasting Virtue and Treasure of Wisdom*, and his Spirit of Power and Glory will rest upon thee.

Quest. Yet, in respect of the *Universal Publick Service of the Holy One*, *What may it be ordered in relation to Assemblies and Congregations?*

Ans. Whereas the *Eternal Wisdom* of all Power is but *one infinite Spirit of Love*, all that draw into *Unity with Him*, must certainly draw into an *infinite Love and Unity one with another*; in which state (that the Unity may be held in the Joy of *Eternal Love*) the Power of Wisdom sets in this Order, first, appointing *convenient Places for Publick Assemblies*; and next, determining *convenient Times*, wherein the *Congregations* may be kept, not by *constraint or violence*; for as the *Love* of the *Eternal Virtue and Power of Love* is *free* in Himself towards every Soul; so requireth He that all Souls *should be like Him*, ready in heart, and free in mind to *assemble together*, and not in any other way or manner; because neither the *Constrainer*, nor the *Constrained* retains the perfect *similitude of his Love and Freedom*, but are in the *degenerated Will*, wherein every *Sacrifice is abominable*. And when both *Place and Time* is appointed for *Publick Congregations*, all that are united in the *Eternal Virtue*, as *one Soul and Mind*, and *Members of one Spiritual Body*, must needs *congregate and flow together*, to the end of *nourishing and cherishing their own flesh*; for waiting together in the *one Spirit of Holiness and Eternal*

Eternal Power, the Power will arise *in* and *among* you, and the Word of Life will go forth of the mouths of many, on which the whole Body will feed, and by it be *cherished* and *nourished* unto a Life of *Immortal Purity, Joy and Glory*; So that when all have found the experience of this sweetness in the Order of Assemblies, as we have found, will make *them flow*, even as we *fly* (in the Spirit of Unity) unto the *Holy Congregations*, distinguished and appointed by the Spirit of Wisdom.

Again, in respect of Government, *Saying the Creator of all things is an Infinite Wisdom, must absolutely therefore be the Author of Order and not of Confusion*: By what Law then shall all Nations be ruled and governed, for the preserving all things in unity and pure Order? Quest.

Order and Government is of the Life of Eternal Wisdom; Answ.
Therefore, in relation to the *Love*, which keeps in the *true Order* (whereby the *true Government* comes to be known) this may you all understand: He that created *all Things and Kings*, I call the *KING of Kings and of Glory*, is the *One Almighty Ruler over all his Creation and Workmanship*, and requirereth that all should be subject to his Government, whose Law is *but one*, which (as I have shewed) is written in the *inward parts*, which is the *Light of the Sun of the Soul*, that was before *Transgression* was, and leads into that state, where *Transgression* is not: This only is the *true Law* that is to rule in all *inward parts*, to rule all *Abends* which rule all *Members*: and the *Minds* being ruled by it, all the *Members* become subject *now* as it, whereby the whole World of Mankind comes to be drawn into the Likeness of the Life and Power that created them, in which state *Transgression* is not: so here the Law is a *Saviour*, and not a *Judge*: which Law thus teacheth (to wit) Do unto all men, as ye would that men should do unto you. And again, it always teacheth, That all Kings, Princes, Rulers, and Judges, should keep to the *true similitude*, like unto their Creator, in matter of Judgement, by a Law; and consequently, not to judge any man in any other way and manner, or by any other Precept or Law, than *in and by that Law* which judgeth and severeth himself out in the *inward Parts*, which still draws to the *Similitude*, and preserves the Soul in the likeness of the *Eternal Power and Wisdom* that created it: So then,

then, in case of *Rebellious Subjects* in a Land, that would live in a *lawless life*, of destruction of the *King of Glorie's Creation*, wilfully and presumptuously, in *Leviness, Beastliness, Violations*, or what other wickedness is ever; *Kings, Princes, Rulers and Judges* shall have no need to *turn out their Minds from the Law within*, to search *Books or Records* (of their Lands or Peoples) without them, to find a *Law* to judge such Transgressors by; for that *alienates and adulterates* from the *pure Similitude*; seeing the Creator cannot go out of Himself into *Books* without Him for a *Law*, but keeping to the *Inward Law* of the Creator (that preserves in the Glorious likeness) and judging all in it, and according to it, answereth the same in all, and leaves them without *Excuse* in the sight of the *Eternal Searchers of all hearts*; in which Judgment they hold the *Unity* with their *Creator*, and stand justified before Him, and by that of Him in all *Consciencies*, which answereth the Judgment of it: Seeing therefore it is evident, that the eternal Judge is *but one*, and his Law *but one*, the Judgment that is of Him in it, is the *Blessed State*; but that which is contrary to it, is the *Cursed State*.

Moreover, it may be plainly understood, That he who made all Men in his own *Eternal wisdom*, certainly was, and is, the *Wiseest* to make a Law for all Men that he created, which in His *Wisdom* (is evident) He accordingly *did decree*, and hath placed it in the *Inwards*, near unto the most noble part of Man, which ruleth all his Members, (to wit) the *Soul*, wherein all Transgression comes first to be conceived, before any is ever brought to the birth. So then, he that altereth from his *Law*, and maketh another *Law* to judge Men by, contrary to that *Law* which his Creator hath placed near unto the most noble part of all Mankind, and even in his own *Conscience*, as well as in the *Conscience of an another Creature*; that very *Ruler* stands in the *Presumption* adulterated and separated from his Creator, shewing himself as if he had a *wisdom above his Creator*, to make a *Law to judge* his creatures by, which is a most horrid *Rebellion* against his Creator, and his holy and just Law. Awake, awake therefore, O all ye *Kings, Princes, Rulers and Judges* upon the face of the whole Earth, and answer your Creator in this true point of Judgment.

Now

Now if the poor men should make forth their Convincement of the Truth, saying, *We are persuaded of the Glory of the Truth of the Sun of the Soul, for we experience it in the inward parts, and can set our Seal to the Testimony thereof, to be altogether Holy and Pure within us; in which sense of the Love of our Creator towards us, we are truly willing and desirous to live and walk, so as that our Souls may be made worthy of such a glorious Infusion and Inspiration of the Eternal Love and Mercy: But what shall we do, seeing the Rulers of our Land stand in opposition, and we cannot so walk without an absolute peril of severe Imprisonment, sharp Torments, loss of earthly Estate, or Life it self?*

Quest.

He that created you, is the Eternal Power and Almighty King of Kings, who reigneth over all in the Kingdoms of Men; and giveth them to whomsoever he pleaseth: Stand ye therefore in the Life of his Pleasure, which is in that (whereunto you are inwardly directed) which begetteth and formeth you in the pure and perfect similitude of your Creator; and there you will come to see Him *to be the everlasting Patience and Eternal Content;* which is a greater Felicity and Glory for you to know in your selves as being moulded into the same Resemblance, and so united to Him in the Power and Life thereof, than the enjoyment of outward Liberty, possession of Ease in the Flesh, Earthly Treasure, or Life it self in the body; yea, a Heavenly Happiness it is, infinitely surpassing all that ever can be thought of below the visible Sun; the living sense and feeling of which in the Eternal Power, makes the Imprisonment of the body a sweet freedom of the Soul; the Tortures of the Body, the joyful pleasures of the Soul; the loss of Earthly Goods, the purchase of an Heavenly Treasure; and the Death of the Body of Flesh, the Everlasting Glorious Life of the Soul. Thus for every finite Loss, is reaped an infinite Treasure of Gain. So then as ye grow into this Life, committing all things, *House, Goods, Silver, Gold, Wife and Children, Liberty and Life,* into the good pleasure of the Everlasting Patience and Eternal Content, you come to reign as Kings in the glorious Life of the KING of Kings, over all Earthly Kings; and they see it not, nor know it not; who persecute you, being themselves in the act of Persecution adulterated and alienated from the Life of the Eternal Patience

Ans.

and Content, and in unity to his power of Love and Mercy, which is the *Curst State of Darkness*; So you knowing your Advantage of Treasure, and Prerogative of Dominion in the power of Patience and verge of Content, ye may well say in your selves, *As we live and abide in the fear of our Creator* (which preserves in the continual possession of his Immortal Rewards and Treasures of all Joys) *we need not fear Earthly Kings nor Princes, nay, Hosts of Elders, nor any other Creature*: for here we perceive temporal losse, but no losse unto us, but as an Earnest-peny offered and given by us for the price of an Eternal Gain; And therefore we will run our Race in the fear of our Maker with joyfulness, holding the similitude of his own Holyests; that if we are persecuted, we will love and pray for our Enemies, even as our Creator loved us whilst we were his Enemies; and we will bear with them, as he bore with us; and forgive them, as he hath forgiven us: Thou wilt we live, and thus wilt we dye: and the Name of our Maker be evermore sanctified, hallowed, honoured and praised by and in us to the end of Ages. And ye being entered into this everlasting blessed State, you stand (as I have said) in his good pleasure, who reigneth in the Kingdoms of Men, and giveth them to whomsoever he pleaseth: and then whosoever turneth against you, to persecute you, turneth against the pleasure of his Creator: And mark the battle, the Pot fighteth against the Potter, who will therefore break it to pieces in his sore displeasure: the Dust fights against its Maker, who therefore will blow it away, even with the force of his utter displeasure, and gain himself a Renowned Glory over every rebellious Creature; for even now is He arisen in his Jealousie, and it is his Day to work, and none shall let; and he which rules against Him, he will remove from the Throne: for He will set up an Everlasting Dominion and Government, and of his own Scepter of Righteousness, even from end unto end of the four Winds of the Heavens. Seven-fold happy therefore is that Soul that believeth in Him, and suffereth for his Righteousness sake.

And is it not an unspeakable shame, to a Ruler to persecute innocent Souls, with created Souls in the Glory of the similitude of their Maker? Is it not a woful shame to Rulers, to persecute them, that watch to recompence good for evil, and to shew
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the deeps of the bowels of *Love* and *Admiration* to such as *heaped up* on them *extream weights* of *Oppression* and *Cruelty* : Can Rulers answer the bonds of *humanity* in such acts? *Nay*. How then can they answer the power of *Sanctity* in them?

For the sake of *Edification* of all Souls, to Three Questions more I am drawn forth (in the Light) to answer.

What are the first powerful Operations of the Light in the Soul, after Convincement of Sin?

JUDGMENT, CONDEMNATION, and DEATH Answer.

of the Mind of *Transgression*; which must of necessity be; for the cause of the *Righteousness* of the King of *Glory*; unto whom no life in *Sin* and *Corruption* can *unite*; for the Soul going into it, went out from Him into the *Enmity* against Him and His Law of *Righteousness*; and no part of that can ever enter into Him, because it was never of Him; and because He hath infused a *righteous Law* into the *Inward parts*, of necessity therefore there must be a power of *Judgement* to execute the *Righteousness* of the Law (in the place that it is put) upon that which brake it, which Power in *Righteousness* must absolutely bring *Condemnation* upon that mind which is the *Transgressor* in man; and the *Condemnation* must as surely bring *Death* by the power of the *Executor*, that no part of that Mind may evermore live, but the Mind in which *no Transgression* is, which was before *Transgression* was; which must be perfectly wrought before Man can enter again into the first *Similitude* to *unite* with the King of *Glory*. So here all may see the *Judgement* truly set up, and executed in the *inward parts*, bringing *Death* upon the *Transgressor*, produced the benefit of a most Blessed Fruit; (viz.) of *Life*, *Peace* and *Joy*; and openeth the door of the Fountain of *Mercy*, giving the perfect knowledge thereof, which then rejoiceth over *Judgement*; for which cause of *Mercy* the Eternal Wisdom first inflicted the Law and Power of *Judgement* to come, fulfilling *Righteousness* in the *Inward parts*, which thus appears, bringing a *Righteous Death* upon an *Unrighteous Life*, that by its *Death* a *Righteous* may for ever live, wherein the *Joy* and *Glory* is partaken and inherited: So then in the *Judgement* and *Condemnation* of that *Life* unto *Death*, the Power and *Glory* of *Mercy* appeareth in the wonderful Wisdom, that it

might be for ever loved and lived in, and the work of Wisdom admired and prized, and the Worker of Salvation (in the Power and most Excellent Glory of Mercy, manifest in Judgement) magnified over all everlastingly without end, in all that love the Operation, and accordingly are partakers of the sweet and happy Fruit of its Salvation, in which the Unity with the King of Glory is witnessed.

Quest. 2 Of every frame of Soul, or fashion of Mind in Man, which is the most certain of holding the Union and Fellowship with the King of Glory in Spirit?

Ans. Watchfulness in Fear and Crosse: Watch to fear the risings of the Concupiscence which the Soul feelth in the flesh, towards the flesh and the World, and also now lastly towards the Devil, and there enter into that Internal Power, which stands in the Crosse to the other Nature, which will daily slay every carnal Affection in the first suggestion and appearance, and break the Cockatrice Egg before the Serpent is hatched; and thus all will come to see that the inward and visible Crosse to the inward Mind of the World and the Flesh, keeps the Soul clean out of the mind of the World and the Flesh, in the mind of the Eternal Spirit.

Again, Watch to fear in every Joy and Enjoyment of every Glorious and Heavenly Gift, lest the Joy should slip out of the true measure, and a sense of the Glory of the Gift exalt the Heart above the measure of the Light, through which it comes, and in which the Unity with the King of Glory stands; and here all which come to see that Fear keeps every Joy and Enjoyment of Heavenly Gifts, perfect to the measure, wherein all Perfection is witnessed according to the proportion of all Gifts as they are given, and come down from the perfect Giver: So then the invisible Crosse which keeps clean, and Fear that keeps the Soul low and humble to the measure within in the Conscience, will alwayes be found the safest frame and fashion of every man's mind to hold the most certain Union and Fellowship with the King of Glory, as long as they are cloathed with the body of flesh, untill it turn to the dust from whence it came, and the Soul be from thenceforth cloathed and arrayed with the Glory of the Life of the King of Glory, even for ever and evermore.

Whether

Whether Man (after being restored unto the Brightness of the first Similitude, and entred into Unity with the Incorruptible Glory, through death of the degenerated part) may not fall from the Glory, and enter again into the Degeneration and Curse :

Quest.

In the work of Creation it is to be known (as formerly mentioned) that the Soul of Man *simply* was not created *immutable*, though *clean, pure and holy*, in a state of *Innocency*, for the Eternal Wisdom reserved that *Virtue, Power, and most glorious Property of Immutability in Himself only*, that He above all things might be known as the *Supream Power* over all the *created things*, and accordingly *feared, loved, obeyed, and lived in* : which state I have shewed Man went out of, and degenerated from, and also have opened the direction unto the way and power of *Redemption*, from the fall and loss, and *Restoration* unto the first Similitude of the Holy One, which unites with the *Incorruptible Glory* ; unto which state it is possible (in the Light) for all Mankind to attain ; yet, if they abide not in the *immutable Power of Preservation* that created their Souls, but go from the *unchangeable Life* into the *variable consutation with Flesh* and its reason and *sensual Wisdom*, they may return *backwards*, as the *Sea, Locust and Canker*, and become as the *Swine that was once washed*, but lo, *wallows again in the mire* ; and the house may be *clean swept*, yet except there be a *Watch* still kept *seven unclean Spirits* may enter, that are *worse than the former* which were driven forth ; and a *Virgin state* may be attained unto, but unless the *Oyl of Wisdom in Watchfulness, Diligence, and Fear*, be retained in the *Lamp*, alwayes burning and giving light to the whole Soul, it may turn into the darkness of *folly and filthiness*, and again may become *adulterate and degenerate* from the *Life of Incorruption, and Immortal Unchangeable Glory*, which is the *Cursed State*, *Whithom* therefore *smites the strokes of Death upon the head of Presumption*, and keeps the *Watch* upon the *Watch-Tower of the Light*, which *discovereth the Approach of the Enemy*, and retains the *Fear*, as a strength for *Courage*, and cloathes the Soul with the *humbleness and contritedness of heart* ; for with such the *Immortal Power* dwelleth, in whole *immutable strength* the *Salvation and Preservation* is witnessed ; so in Him

Answ.

Him the *Redeemed* have the continual enjoyment of a *surpassing Sweet and consoling Repose and Rest* : First, in the knowledge that the *Gracious Power* (that hath united them unto Himself in the Life of Incorruption and Innocency) can never *vary, change, nor alter* from his *Grace, Love, and Faithfulness* ; and next, though a change may be, which cannot be by the unchangeable King of Glory, unless it be first by the *degeneration* of Man's *weak and mutable mind* from his Power of Holiness, yet the Soul in the *fear and watchfulness* (out of the Presumption and Arrogancy) in the ground of *Meekness and Lowliness* comes to grow in such a strength of the power of Hope, Faith and Trust in the *Immutable Preserver* of the *Low and Humble*, that in the living and sensible perswasion it comes to utter (through its assurance of the immediate Unity) *that neither Afflictions, Tryals, Tribulations, Temptations, Reproaches, Buffets, Wounds, Captures, Prisons, Life nor Death, Principalities, Powers, Heights, Depths, Things present, nor Things to come, shall be ever able to separate the Soul from its Life and Unity, in, and with the Immutable Preserver and King of Glory in the Joy of his Everlasting Virtue.*

Ah ! who therefore would not run as a *Greyhound in the course*, and flow as the *Floods of the Spring-Tyde* ; yea, and fly, as the Dove to her Nest, unto that which *unites with the Original Fountain* of all *Excellency, Wisdom, Sweetness and Joy*, to be swallowed up in its *Ocean* for ever ? Oh ! the *felicity of Consolation* in the state of *Redemption* ! how can my weakness declare its *Ravishing Power* ? forasmuch as in the state of the *Souls Restoration* unto the *first Beauty, Glory and Unity* with the King of Glory, there is found a *Tower of joyous Safety*, far exceeding the *Safety* that the first Man had in his *state of Innocency* ; knowing, that though he was *innocent and pure*, yet wanted the knowledge of the *mutability and changeableness* of his Soul, from the Power that only could preserve it in the *Immutable Life* ; and therefore the *Conspicence* said, *Ye shall not surely dye* ; which was a *Lye*, by which the *Innocency* was *beguiled and overcome*, to taste of the fruit of knowledge in his own flesh, and then in the *Loss* he saw nor the *Recovery*, but clouded himself more under it, by covering the defiled parts ; but whereas the Soul

Soul now sees its *unity* with the *Immutable Glory*, and knows the *changeableness* of the Souls of all Men out of the *Unchangeable Power*, and comprehends the *Power of Darkness*, with its *Works and Perdition*; and also knows the *Power of Redemption* from *Curse, Retribution to Blisse, and Union with the Immutable Glory*; I say in the knowledge of all this (which Man in his first state of *Innocency* knew not) stands *more glorious armed, and securely fortified on the Watch-Tower of the Light*, in the pure fear, than the first Man in his state of *Innocency* did: And by how much also the *Mercies, Pities, Compassions, Love and glorious Wisdom* of the Creator is now revealed in his work of *Redemption, Restoration, and uniting the Soul of man again unto Himself* in the power of his *quicken'd Spirit*, these Walls of the *Eternal Love* (which the united Souls now enter to *within*) is a *Glory, Fort and Fortress*, infinitely exceeding that of the first Man's state of *Blisse in Innocency*; Yea, I might even speak as a tongue without end, of this matter, and yet never speak enough (of the revelation of the Power appearing in *Glory to the Redeemed, Restored, and United Souls*) how far it surpasseth that of the knowledge of the first Man in *Blisse*, who in his state of *Innocency*, before *Transgression* was, could not know what *Pity, Compassion, Mercy and Reconciliation was*, being not then in a condition of the service of such *properties and qualities*, that were hid in the *Eternal Wisdom of Glory*; who though He was dishonoured at first by *Transgression*, yet such is his infinite *Wisdom*, that He gains Himself the greater Honour through the Power of his *Redeeming* Man out of *Transgression*. Wherefore the *discovery* of the face of *Glory* being now the more *excellent and greater*, the Walls and Bulwarks of *Love must needs be the stranger*, and the *Unity infinitely nearer and dearer*, than the tongues of ten thousand multitudes can ever utter or express; which may be joyfully received, as the *Everlasting Consolation of all Consolations*, by all the *Innocent Lambs*, who through the *Glorious Redemption* do know their *Unity* in the *Immutable Power that created them*. Who therefore (thus in brief) can witness to every Opposer and Gain-sayer, that questioneth their state and condition, *We are in the Immutable Life and Power.*

Finally,

Finally: The knowledge of *Incomprehensibility* only consisteth in the *Inherent Power*, that off the strength of all *human* *afflictions* (by the seed of *humanity*) cast upon the *Triune* and the *Unborn* People that do abide walking in it, because *where* *we* *be* *a* *few* *have* *turned* *(from it)* *like* *the* *Dog* *to* *the* *Vomit*, *and* *the* *washed* *Swine* *again* *to* *the* *wallowing* *in* *the* *mire*, *which* *standing* *hand* *upon* *the* *Incomprehensible* *Power* *or* *Principle* *of* *Madness*, *the* *cause*, *if* *all* *Souls* *should* *turn* *from* *it*, *as* *it* *is* *a* *manifest* *Light* *in* *every* *Conscience*, *yet* *the* *Light* *and* *Truth* *chargeth* *not*, *but* *is* *still* *the* *same* *in* *it* *self*, *in* *Nature*, *Power*, *Veritas* *and* *Glory*, *(which* *no* *man* *can* *justly* *deny)* *though* *veiled*, *clouded*, *and* *in* *greater* *measure* *hid* *from* *the* *unstable* *Soul* *than* *is* *drawn* *from* *it*; *Not* *can* *Reproach* *or* *Infamy* *justly* *stand* *upon* *what* *that* *abide* *in* *the* *Unity* *with* *the* *Incomprehensible* *Glory*; *because* *by* *the* *Power* *thereof* *they* *are* *preserved* *out* *of* *evil* *walking* *before* *all* *men* *consciously*, *not* *giving* *any* *occasion* *but* *of* *good* *reports*, *to* *fill* *the* *mouths* *of* *all* *men*; *Therefore*, *if* *any* *man* *should* *preach* *me* *and* *my* *Brethren*, *what* *we* *combine* *and* *believe* *in* *the* *List* *of* *Reformation*, *unlike* *to* *the* *Exchangable* *Madness*, *because* *where*, *one* *or* *two*, *or* *three*, *are* *gone* *out* *into* *the* *World* *now* *and* *then*; *this* *showeth*, *that* *which* *is* *incomprehensible* *is* *from* *divine* *unity* *and* *adherence* *from* *that* *list* *of* *his* *Creator*, *(who* *is* *the* *Power* *of* *Equity)* *and* *enters* *into* *the* *power* *of* *the* *blackness* *of* *Iniquity*, *giving* *false* *words* *and* *fast* *weathers* *in* *the* *Balance* *and* *Right* *of* *Equity*, *which* *is* *the* *Capital* *Unity*; *Because* *his* *Creator* *cannot* *do* *the* *like* *in* *the* *Balance* *of* *his* *Sanctuary*, *but* *is* *righteous* *to* *every* *man's* *cause*; *So* *then* *the* *Depravity* *(by* *his* *own* *unrighteous* *reproach)* *winns* *the* *mark* *of* *Guilt* *in* *his* *own* *Paradox*, *and* *draws* *the* *sentence* *of* *God's* *right* *judgment* *upon* *his* *own* *head*, *as* *a* *rebellious* *son* *of* *Disunity*, *and* *Destroyer* *of* *the* *life* *of* *Integrity*. *And* *there* *is* *nothing* *left* *of* *the* *Soul*, *Power*, *Wisdom*, *Balance*, *and* *King* *of* *Glory* *(in* *Himself*, *and* *in* *all* *his* *Redeemed* *People)* *which* *is* *not* *glorified*, *honoured*, *glorified*, *praised*, *and* *renewed* *eternally*, *where* *is* *the* *end*.

LET THE END